MEASURE I Working for the City of Twentynine Palms

San Bernardino County's half-cent transportation sales tax

Measure I Revenue, The First 10 Years

1990-91: \$499,319

1991-92: \$511,505

1992-93: \$504,782

1993-94: \$497,543

1994-95: \$543,558

1995-96: \$568,631

1996-97: \$578,651

1997-98: \$659,654

1998-99: \$1,337,398

1999-00: \$605,528

Total: \$6,306,569

Figures include interest income





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"Maintaining our desert roads, which deteriorate rapidly in high temperatures, is a priority for the City of Twentynine Palms. Measure I allows us to make repairs, replace asphalt and construct new traffic signals, all of which contribute to the safety of our driving public."

-- Jim Bagley, Councilmember

President, SANBAG Board of Directors

Adopted by San Bernardino County voters in 1989, Measure I is a major source of revenue for transportation improvements in the City of Twentynine Palms. This 20-year half-cent sales tax has provided more than \$6 million for Twentynine Palms during the first 10 years. Local officials make decisions about the allocation of these funds. In Twentynine Palms, 65 percent of the funds is designated for regional highways and major streets, 30 percent goes toward local streets and roads and five percent is used to offset Morongo Basin Transit Authority fares for elderly and disabled passengers. Measure I clearly is working for the City of Twentynine Palms!

Twentynine Palms projects: A decade in review

f the Measure I funds received each year by Twentynine Palms, 65 percent is used for improvements to city streets that function as major arteries in the region. Some of these regional arterial projects have included:

- Rehabilitation and pavement overlay of Adobe Road, 1992-2000 (\$1,304,437)
- Pavement rehabilitation, citywide, 1996-2000 (\$528,729)
- Widening, installation of signal and striping for turn lane, Highway 62, 1991-1998 (\$354,730)
- Installation of traffic signal, Adobe Road at Gorgonio Drive, 1995-1996 (\$92,258)
- Improvements to Mesquite Springs Road to Indian Trail, 1993-1994 (\$67,887)

Twentynine Palms spends **30 percent** of its Measure I funds for improvements to local city streets and roads. Selected local projects are:

- Rehabilitation and citywide street maintenance, 1993-1998 (\$830,655)
- Paving and rehabilitation of: White Sand, Morongo, Marine, Cedar, Gorgonio, Athol, Ocotillo, Mariposa, Tamarisk, Cholla, Mission, La Luna, Juniper, 49 Palms, Star Dune, Mojave, Old Dale, Palo Verde, Aztec, Sun Court, Lazy Joe, Datura, Indian Cove, Oasis, Sun Valley, Alfalfa, Lupine, Eucalyptus, Cahuilla, Daisy, Chia, Estrella and other various streets and roads, 1999-2000 (\$579,725)

The remaining **five percent** of Measure I funds are designated for public transit.

Twentynine Palms supports the Morongo Basin Transit Authority with funding for operational expenses. This contribution allows elderly and disabled passengers to ride at lower rates. During the past decade, Twentynine Palms's contributions have totaled \$258,167.